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Interview Summary	Application No. 10/020,313	Applicant(s) FUJIMOTO, KAZUHISA	
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Date of Interview: 9/9/5

Type: a) ☐ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference

c) ☒ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☒ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.

If Yes, brief description: N/A

Claim(s) discussed: 35-59

Identification of prior art discussed: Yamamoto, Kazar, Amundsen, Asland, Abrahams.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☒ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: see below.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE, OR THE MAILING DATE OF THIS INTERVIEW SUMMARY FORM, WHICHEVER IS LATER, TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.

Applicants argued that the prior art applied fails to disclose the claimed provision of a single port that receives both block and file I/O requests, having different port numbers for the two types of requests. Secondly, the applicant proposes to further clarify this point through amendment that specifies the controller performs different operations based upon the port number. The examiners agree the applied prior art fails to disclose the contested provision - individually or in combinations.

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